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MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/817,134 filed on March 27, 2001,
which is a divisional of Serial No. 08/808,665, filed on February
28, 1997, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference, by

Yoshiaki KATO; Yuka FUJITA and Tokumichi MURAKAMI

for

REMULTIPLEXING APPARATUS

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification,
claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if
applicable).

2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	4-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2-3 =	0	x 86 = \$0.00	x 43 = \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00
		TOTAL	\$770.00	\$0.00

3. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Enclosed is/are eighteen (18) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 6a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/817,134 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 6b. The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7. The prior application is assigned to Mitsubishi Denki Kabushiki Kaisha.
8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 9a. Priority of Application No(s). 8-194964 filed in Japan on July 24, 1996 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application USSN 08/808,665 on February 28, 1997.
- 9b. Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____

Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

11. Address all future communications to:

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12. An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/817,134 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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